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Annual Picnic August 2.

Shiawassee Odd Fellows hold their annual picnic at McCurdy park Wednesday, Aug. 2. Preparations are being made for the biggest crowd which ever attended and an unusually fine program is prepared.

J. F. Wildermuth Buys City Bonds.

The \$5,000 fire department bonds of Owosso were sold, Monday, by the council to J. Fred Wildermuth, his bid being interest at 4 1/2 per cent with accrued interest added.

No Liquor to Sober Up On.

Hereafter persons arrested for drunkenness in Owosso will be relieved of any liquor in their possession and the liquor will be destroyed, none being returned to the drunk to "sober up" on. This is the decision of Municipal Justice Priegel and the city police. The matter may be tested by some victim but it is doubtful.

Pavement Repairs.

The Washington and Main street pavements in the business district are being repaired by Street Commissioner Brewer and his men by a new plan, which if good, will save a lot of money and be quickly and neatly done. Where bad places appear the old asphalt and cement is being removed, small rock put in and covered with Kentucky rock asphalt and rolled, no heating being necessary. It is said to become hard and stand almost unlimited wear.

Arrested at Lapeer.

Adam Dennis, of Owosso, was arrested near Lapeer by Deputy Sheriff Brown and Houghton, Monday, for a violation of the local option law and will have an examination July 31 before Justice McBride in Corunna. After a celebration July 2 at the home of Orville Johnson on Fraser street, Owosso, police arrested James McKinney, but Dennis, who is said to have furnished the liquor, escaped. Six quarts of whiskey and a bottle of alcohol were confiscated. It was hidden in straw in the chicken coop.

Hut Dwellers Not All Gone.

A man and a woman of middle age secured permission to use part of a swamp on the George Love farm in Owosso township and have constructed a hut from brush, making a bed of grass and are living in the six foot square apartment doing their cooking with two or three kitchen utensils on a bonfire. Neighbors became alarmed and sent for the police but as they could find nothing wrong the couple is allowed to remain. The man is working on surrounding farms.

Wants \$25,000 Damages.

Orrie Angus, a painter, has begun suit against the Ann Arbor railroad for \$25,000 damages for alleged permanent injury to his health while working in company's shops. He was employed painting engines while they were still hot. Ill smelling fumes arose as the paint was applied and as the building was not ventilated enough to carry the fumes away, Angus was compelled to inhale them. Last January he became sick and his body swelled up until he weighed 230 pounds. His normal weight is 140. Treatment has reduced the swelling, but he still weighs 175.

Christine Seelhoff Dead.

Miss Christine Seelhoff, aged 19 years, died at 1:30 Tuesday morning at her home in Rush township, after an illness of several weeks. Miss Seelhoff caught cold some time ago, and seemed never to become improved in health. A few weeks ago she suffered heat prostration and has failed rapidly since that time. Surviving are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Seelhoff and two sisters, younger than herself.

Miss Seelhoff was a member of Salem's Lutheran church. She was confirmed with the class of 1907. The funeral was held Thursday at 1 o'clock p. m., at the home, Rev. T. G. Hahn officiating. Interment in the Henderson cemetery.

Bad Bohemians.

Joe Anthon and Albion Kallis, Bohemians, residing between Corunna road and the Grand Trunk tracks, about midway between Owosso and Corunna, were sentenced Tuesday night by Justice Peacock of Corunna, to serve 20 days in the county jail for disorderly conduct. While drunk the pair had started in to wreck their domiciles. Stoves and dishes were smashed and Anthon had given his wife a beating before Sheriff Herrick and Under Sheriff Griffin arrived. Anthon is not a new disturber, having given his wife a pounding in Owosso on July 4th. Justice Peacock did not give the fellows an opportunity to "pay fine."

City League Standing.

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Eagles.....	13	5	.730
Corunna Avenue.....	12	5	.700
Y. M. C. A.....	7	6	.538
Odd Sides.....	3	8	.260

Will Manage an Elevator.

William Kennedy of this city, has gone to Dryden where he will manage a large elevator, in which he will also have an interest. Mr. Kennedy has sold his home on East Main street to Robert Ransom, local manager of the Postal Telegraph office.

There are four other gentlemen interested in the elevator, one of whom is Clare H. Barrett, former owner of Barrett's elevator in this city.

Mrs. Kennedy and daughter, Miss Mary, left Saturday morning for Berwyn, where they will spend a few days with relatives. Later they will go to Dryden to live. Mr. Kennedy and family have made many friends in this city, who sincerely regret their departure. Incidentally they predict success for Mr. Kennedy in his business venture.

War Flags For State Museum.

L. S. Bowles, Geo. T. Mason and Duane C. Cooper, representing Quackenbush Post, G. A. R., went to Lansing Thursday morning to present to the war museum three flags presented to the Post some time ago by George D. Sidman of Philadelphia, with the understanding that eventually they were to be deposited in the museum at Lansing. The flags are relics of the Civil and Spanish-American war, and are highly prized by their former owner and the local post.

Mr. Sidman left the flags here when he was in the city this spring, attending the celebration of the semi-centennial anniversary of the first enlistment of troops for the Civil war. The flags will be left at Lansing in the name of Mr. Sidman and attached to them will be a complete history of each.

Mrs. Mary E. Getman Dead.

Mrs. Mary E. Getman, aged 86 years died Sunday afternoon at her home on West Main street of Bright's disease and dropsy. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home, Rev. C. H. Hanks officiating.

Mrs. Getman was born in Menham, N. Y., and in 1856 was united in marriage to Jeremiah Getman. After residing at several places in New York, Mr. and Mrs. Getman moved to this city in 1885, but in 1888 the call of their native state was so strong that they returned there. While here they resided on the Green Meadow farm. Ten years later they returned to Owosso and took up their residence with their daughter, Mrs. J. C. Dingman. Mr. Getman died in 1904. Soon afterward Mrs. Getman moved to her own home on West Main street where she spent the rest of her days.

Surviving are one sister residing in New York on the old homestead, and two step-children, Mrs. J. C. Dingman of this city and G. W. Getman of South Dakota. She also leaves two step grandchildren, namely, Mrs. W. B. Flickinger of Owosso and G. M. Getman living just north of this city.

Owosso Lodge I. O. O. F.

Owosso lodge I. O. O. F. No. 88, installed officers at a meeting held Friday evening. The lodge also contributed \$15 to the fund for the benefit of the fire victims of Northern Michigan, \$10 being given by various members and \$5 being appropriated from the lodge fund. Following are the officers installed by District Deputy Grand Master Ray Farver, assisted by John Q. Abel, as grand marshal, C. J. Eaton as grand warden, C. A. Doane as grand secretary and J. J. Bowers as grand treasurer:

Noble Grand—L. H. Norton.
Vice Grand—Robert Kinney.
Recording Secretary—John G. Doane.

Financial Secretary—John Q. Abel.
Treasurer—Andrew Jackson.
Warden—Bethel Angus.
Conductor—Rudy Rust.

Right Supporter Noble Grand—Ward Carl.
Left Supporter Noble Grand—Wilson Brooks.

Right Supporter Vice Grand—Roy Balcom.
Inside Guard—Ray Farver.
Outside Guard—Henry Sidman.

Right Scene Supporter—W. Giber-son.
Left Scene Supporter—J. Meistein.
Chaplain—Rev. John Watson.

Representatives to the Grand Lodge—Ward Carl and Henry Sidman.
Alternates—Bethel Angus and J. G. Doane.

Bethel Angus was recommended by the lodge as successor to District Deputy Grand Master Ray Farver, whose term expires this fall.

Mitchell-Woodard.

The wedding of Clara, younger daughter of Mrs. Emma Woodard and Mr. John Shepard Mitchell of Hollywood, Calif., was solemnized at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. J. C. Osburn, West Williams street Owosso, at 6 o'clock Tuesday, July 25, in the presence of relatives and intimate friends, Rev. C. H. Hanks performing the ceremony.

The bridal couple were attended by two flower girls only, Misses Jane Osburn and Florence Woodard, nieces of the bride.

A four course supper was served following the ceremony and at ten o'clock Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell left for California and will be at home after September first at Hollywood, a suburb of Los Angeles.

Mrs. Mitchell was born in this city and spent all her life here except the last three years which have been taken up with travel to various parts of the world, the winters being passed in Colorado and California. She is a graduate of the Owosso high school and Wells college, an active member of the Church of Christ, Scientist, and has been popular and active in the club and social life of this city, where she will be missed by a wide circle of friends who extend congratulations to her and her husband but regret that their home is to be so far from them.

Mr. Mitchell is a young man of ability, a graduate of Leland Stanford University and a member of one of the leading law firms of California at Los Angeles.

The TIMES joins with the many friends in extending congratulations.

Prosecutor Collins Makes a Fine Record.

The semi-annual report of J. H. Collins prosecuting attorney, is one of which he may feel proud and the people will be glad to give him the credit due.

The only criminal cases that have not been reported to the prosecutor are those prosecuted under city ordinances in the Owosso police court, which the municipal judge is not required to report. These include a number of cases of drunkenness and other offenses of a petty character.

Excepting the Owosso cases mentioned, 70 cases were prosecuted in the county during the six months period. The prosecutor's report shows that there were no acquittals. Fifty-four were convicted, two cases nolle prossed, 12 defendants discharged on examination, and two defaulted their bonds.

Of the ten apprehended for violation of the local option law, one Conrad Mehlbacher of Owosso, defaulted his \$500 bail, two were placed on probation for two years, one was dismissed on examination, one was sentenced to 90 days in the Detroit House of Correction, one served 40 days in the county jail and paid \$40 fine, one of the two cases against Pat Walton was nolle prossed, and one offender served 60 days in the county jail. Pat Yoe of Port Huron, a Grand Trunk railroad man arrested for furnishing liquor to a citizen in Durand, proved an alibi. Also, the man who had made the affidavit against him failed to show up. Yoe was the one discharged on examination.

Prosecutor Collins says that the 28 prosecuted for drunkenness is at least 50 per cent less than the average number for six months under the "wet" regime.

Must Pay the Assessment.

Summons issued by the Oakland county circuit court, were served Monday by Sheriff Herrick and Under Sheriff Bert Griffin on 25 residents of this county, who are named as defendants in suits brought against them by Francis G. Ely, receiver for the Citizens' Mutual Fire Insurance company of Holly, Mich., who did business in the counties of Oakland, Genesee and Shiawassee.

Recently when it was found that the company's assets were not equal to its liabilities, the receiver was appointed, on petition, and the court ordered an assessment on the policy holders, numbering about 700 in all, to meet the company's obligations. It is understood that the total amount of the assessment is \$40,000. Some of the stockholders paid up but many others refused, and it is against the delinquents that suit has now been brought.

Summons are being served on about 100 citizens of the three counties. The sheriff has a number to serve yet in this county, the total number sued being about forty. They reside in various parts of Shiawassee and to serve the papers it has been necessary to cover practically the whole county.

W. B. Flickinger is in Jackson on business.

Many Changes Proposed.

The charter commission of the city of Owosso held its second meeting at the city clerk's office Tuesday evening and spent two hours in plans for the work of revision and in receiving suggestions as to changes, additions and eliminations from the old charter. Citizens of the city are requested by the commission to present proposals for changes and blanks will be furnished by the clerk for this purpose. City officials, ex-officials and others known to be familiar with all or parts of the charter will be especially requested to aid with the work.

One change on which everybody will agree will be as to the fiscal year making its opening earlier so that funds for street work will be available during the summer season and not in the fall and so that the council making and collecting the budget will also be responsible for the expenditure of it. A change in the date of the municipal election to make the above proposal easier is suggested.

The lengthening of the terms of office of mayor, clerk and treasurer to two years, increasing the duties of the city assessor to include the work of the special assessors, making sprinkling assessments a lien on the property, the designation of the funds from which expenditures are to be made, the countersigning of orders were discussed.

The taxing of vacant property for 50 per cent of its assessed valuation or more, for special improvements, is advocated by some but strongly opposed by others.

The use of the United States census bureau's system of accounting for cities will be studied and the clerk will secure copies of the census bureau's plans. A correct description of the boundaries of the city of Owosso will be prepared by the street commissioner for incorporation into the new charter. Rules will be prepared for the commission's session by a committee appointed by the chairman before the next meeting Aug. 22, at 7:30 p. m. at the city hall.

A number of officials and citizens attended Tuesday's meeting.

Extends an Invitation.

To the Citizens of Owosso:
At the last meeting of the Charter Commission the Clerk was instructed to have proposal forms prepared upon which any measure or suggestion which anybody might wish to present to be incorporated into the new charter might be written. These forms will be prepared and may be secured at the office of the city clerk.

The clerk was further instructed to invite all city officials, all former city officials and all other citizens to present on these forms any idea which they may have which appears to them to be desirable as a part of the new charter. It would be a considerable task to write all former aldermen and city officials personally and I take this means of presenting this matter to them as well as to the general public. The commissioners will cheerfully co-operate with anybody in the preparation of any proposal.

The commission is desirous of preparing a new charter for the city of Owosso that will overcome the defects of the present charter and that will provide more practical machinery for the carrying on of city work and improvements, and with this end in view invites and urges the co-operation of all public spirited citizens.

A. H. DUMOND,
Clerk of Charter Commission.

Schutte-Fisher.

Miss Grace Fisher, daughter of Mrs. Mary Fisher, 314 Comstock street, and William Schutte, also of this city, were united in marriage Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock, by Rev. Paul O. David, at the minister's home, West Oliver street. They were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Santleben and Charles Grabner and Miss Anna Schutte.

Mr. and Mrs. Schutte went immediately to their own home at 1015 Linn street.

Both are well and favorably known in this city. The groom is a member of the Forester lodge, and formerly belonged to Co. H. He is employed at the plant of the Owosso Sugar company. Mrs. Schutte has been employed at the Welch elevator.

A son was born Wednesday to Mr. and Mrs. James Bush of Corunna. The proud father is the son of Judge Matthew Bush and the mother is the daughter of Glen Young.

Prof. George Kirn of the Biblical literature department of the theological school at Naperville, Ill., is the guest of his brother, William Kirn, and family north of the city. Prof. Kirn was formerly a resident here.

Smith-Upham.

Miss Florence K. Upham, daughter of Walter Upham, was united in marriage at her home, East Main street, at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon, with Warren H. Smith of North Baltimore, O., Rev. Carlos H. Hanks performing the ceremony. The young couple were attended by Miss Grace Todd of Saginaw, cousin of the bride, and the bride's brother, Mac Upham.

Miss Upham was becomingly attired in a gown of marquisette of simple design. The house was prettily decorated with green smilax, white roses, sweet peas and palms.

Following the ceremony, a wedding luncheon was served to the thirty relatives and immediate friends who witnessed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Smith have gone to North Baltimore to reside.

Mrs. Smith is one of Owosso's charming young ladies. She has lived here practically all her life, and by her sweet disposition has won a host of friends. She is a graduate of the Owosso high school, and for the past three years has attended Olivet college. She is a member of the First Congregational church of this place. The groom is a machinist in his home city.

Those present from out-of-town were: Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Smith of North Baltimore; Miss Ivernia Walter, Port Huron; Miss Alice Ward, Bellevue; Miss Margie Horr, Ithaca; Miss Emmal Earl, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Schwitzer and Mr. and Mrs. Roy McLean, of Flint.

Those Roastin' Ears.

Soon we'll all be gay and happy as bay steers! Soon we'll wipe away the briny, flowing tears! If we've sorrows we will lose 'em, joy will permeate each bosom, for the season is at hand for roastin' ears! For the fancy Frenchy dishes I have jeers, and the Waldorf bill of fare to me appears, like a thing that's out of fashion, for I have a perfect passion for the good old unassuming roastin' ears! Oh, my parents bid farewell to griefs and fears, and my granny turns a somersault and cheers, when the corn is on the table and we feel fit and able to devour about a ton of roastin' ears! Nothing better can be found in all the spheres! It's a diet for the soldier and the seer! And my joys too great to utter when I spread a wad of butter on the fragrant and the tempting roastin' ears! Oh the birds will greet this rhapsody with jeers and they'll sing about their roes down the years, but there's nothing more inspiring than the corn we're all desiring, nothing nobler than the juicy roastin' ears! Walt Mason.

An English Physician's Denunciation of American Dentistry.

The world has been woefully misled for many years regarding American dentistry, in the opinion of the illustrious pathologist to the London Charing Cross Hospital, Dr. William Hunter. It is his matured conviction that dentistry as practiced in this country is a curse to the world, the fruitful source of one of the most terrible scourges afflicting the physical frame of man-sepsis. In other words, dentistry, as practiced by even the ablest men in the American profession, is spreading deadly maladies not only among the moderately well off, but among the very rich. Indeed, the rich are the worst sufferers because they can afford the high price of the most skilled work.

An illustration of Doctor Hunter's meaning is given by himself in the London Lancet. One of the worst cases of sepsis he ever saw was brought him by a doctor who said that the patient's mouth had been "carefully seen to and was in good order." The patient was a tall, handsome man in the prime of life. His case was the severest pernicious idiopathic anemia imaginable. His mouth was to all appearance clean, for it was one solid mass of gold caps, bridges, crowns, fillings, false teeth and the like, so ingeniously built up that one could hardly tell what was false and what was real. To free that man from his poisoned state involved in consequence what was really equivalent to a major operation in surgery. The condition of necrosis, sepsis and the like revealed on removal of the golden architecture of his mouth was perfectly appalling.—Current Literature, [August].

Mrs. C. J. Stuart, Oliver street, left today for Ypsilanti to visit friends.

Mrs. Howard S. Reed and Miss E. Grace Dewey left this morning for Blacksburg, Va., but will visit at several cities enroute. They have been spending the past month at the family home in Owosso. Mrs. A. Loomis, of Redfield, S. Dak., who has spent the last two weeks with them and other relatives in the city, accompanied them to Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Gallagher left Wednesday evening for a visit with friends in Marlette.

Gladston, Colin and Donald McCormick leave Saturday for Ridgetown, Ont., to visit relatives.

Harry Monroe of the Union Telephone Co., leaves Sunday for Beulah to spend a two weeks vacation.

Attorney G. F. Friegel has filed a bill for divorce in the circuit court on behalf of Pearl Dawson against Fritz Dawson of Owosso.

The residence on Corunna avenue, formerly owned by James Grey, was sold Thursday by Phillips & Wright to E. O. Knapp of this city.

Members of the George M. Hunt camp and their families will meet this evening at the home of Frank Evans, East Mason street. Picnic supper will be served.

Miss Lydia Smith has returned to her home in Rome, N. Y., after a visit of several weeks with her niece, Mrs. W. B. Flickinger, and nephew G. M. Getman.

N. E. Glasbrook and J. Elliott of Lansing, have purchased the Bijou theatre from D. R. Salisbury, and have already taken possession. Mr. Glasbrook will be in charge of the theatre and will move his family here.

By his attorney S. Q. Pulver, Benjamin W. Angel of Owosso, has begun suit for divorce from Mabel Angel, claiming she spends her time in Macleasant and Detroit and fails in her duty as a wife.

Members of the official board of the Asbury M. E. church surprised the oldest member, E. C. Beebe at his home on Shiawassee street on Wednesday evening, the occasion being his 78th birthday anniversary. The evening was pleasantly spent in conversation. Refreshments were served.

James Lynch, William Rourke, James Timothy and Edward Carmody of Rush township, started Monday morning on an overland trip to Higgins lake where they will spend a week. They are making the trip with a team and wagon and the start resembled the departure of one of the old time prairie schooners.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Collins and son, Harold; Mr. and Mrs. George M. Dewey and son, Thomas Edmund; Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Hart and sons, William and Richard; Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Loring and son, Thomas, and Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Taylor will go to Glenn lake Monday for an outing.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Ketchum have moved from Everett, Washington to Fitchburg, a suburb of Oakland, Calif. They were not pleased with the climate of Everett, Washington. The land is low and swampy around Everett and the soil is not good. There are no large factories, the largest one is the Casco Factory which employs only six hands.

Mrs. D. A. Monroe, a former resident of this city, died Wednesday at her home in Elgin, Ill., of diabetes. The remains were brought here Friday and the funeral held this afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Lapior, Grace street, Rev. J. E. Somers officiating. Interment will take place at Oak Hill cemetery. Deceased is survived by her husband and four children, Mrs. Louise Johns of Ludington, Mrs. F. A. Lapior of this city and Glen and Ernest Monroe of Elgin. Mrs. Monroe was forty-five years old.

Morton-Thayer.

Burt E. Morton of Detroit, and Miss Fannie E. Thayer, of Flint, were united in marriage Wednesday at 2:30 o'clock at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Charlotte S. Thayer, 1109 Grand Traverse street, Flint. Rev. S. A. Dean of Port Huron, officiated. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Morton of Owosso. He was brought up here and lived in Owosso until about three years ago. He is a connoisseur of talent and formerly played in the Owosso city band and later in Fizzel's band and orchestra in Detroit. He is now playing at the Penobscott Inn, the finest cafe in Detroit.

Real Estate Transfers.

E. Hart to B. Prindle and wife, lots 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19, block 3, VanAlken add, Vernon, \$600.

G. Smith to F. F. DeFrenn and wife, lot 7 block 2, A V Johnson add, Caledonia, \$500.

P. Scott to J. Swark southeast 1/4 of southeast 1/4 section 36, Fairfield, \$2,000.

S. Pierce to J. Foster, part lot 3 block 15, Byron, \$500.

H. Lovejoy to J. Gordon and wife, lots 6 and 7, block 9, C. H. Calkins add, Perry \$1,000.

W. Scott to C. Shiroff and wife, mid, 1/4 lot 1, block 3, G. B. Lyon add, Owosso, \$600.

J. Elliott to S. McCarthy, part northeast 1/4 section 31, Hazelton \$100.